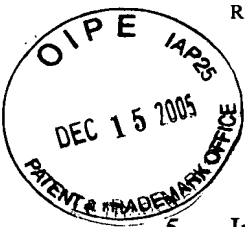


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In re application of:

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Application No: 10/674,373

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 C.F.R. 1.121)

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Dear Sir:

This Response is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant
Amendment dated November 15, 2005, within the 30-day period for reply.

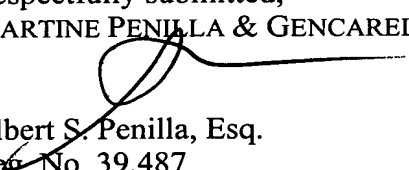
In the Drawings:

A complete set of formal drawings is being re-submitted along with this response,
with a separate cover addressed to the Official Draftsperson. Thus, compliance with the
Examiner's request for formal drawings with "Replacement Sheet" in the top margin is
now complete. The replacement sheets being supplied in this response are in fact, the
same number of sheets as supplied in the Amendment, previously filed on October 28,
2005.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning the present submission, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at (408) 774-6903. Also, if any fees are due in connection with filing this communication, the Commissioner is
5 authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P445). A duplicate copy of the transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,
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